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MEMORANDUM THRU COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT OFFICER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROGRAM SUPPORT DIVISION

FOR DIRECTOR, ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Renewal of Charter for the Missouri River (North Dakota) Task Force

- 1. Request renewal of the charter for the Missouri River (North Dakota) (MRND) Task Force. The MRND Task Force is a Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committee under the purview of the Secretary of the Army.
- 2. The proposed charter for the MRND Task Force is enclosed for your consideration and meets the criteria established in DoD Instruction 5105.04 (Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committee Management Program), E3.4.6.2.1. Recommend approval to continue the committee.
- 3. In accordance with DoD Instruction 5105.04, justification for renewal of the MRND Task Force follows: No existing organization meets the requirements of Section 705(a) of Title VII Water Resources Development Act 2000, Public Law 106-541.
- 4. My point of contact for this action is Mr. Hok Lim, 703-602-7187 or hok.lim@conus.army.mil.

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CHARTER OF THE MISSOURI RIVER (NORTH DAKOTA) TASK FORCE

- 1. <u>Committee's Official Designation</u>: The Committee shall be known as the Missouri River (North Dakota) Task Force (hereafter referred to as the Task Force).
- 2. <u>Authority</u>: The Task Force was established under the provisions of section 705(a) of the Missouri River Protection and Improvement Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-541, Title VII) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix), as amended.
- 3. <u>Objectives and Scope of Activities</u>: The Task Force shall advise the Secretary of the Army on plans and projects to reduce siltation of the Missouri River in the State of North Dakota and to meet the objectives of the Pick-Sloan Program.
 - a. Specifically, the Task Force shall:
 - Prepare and approve, by a majority of the members, a plan for the use of the funds made available under Public Law 106-541 to promote conservation practices in the Missouri River watershed, control and remove the sediment from the Missouri River, protect recreation on the Missouri River from sedimentation, and protect Indian and non-Indian historical and cultural sites along the Missouri River from erosion;
 - Develop and recommend to the Secretary of the Army for implementation critical restoration projects meeting the goals of the plan; and
 - Determine if these projects primarily benefit the Federal Government.
- b. The Secretary of the Army or designee may act upon the Task Force's advice and recommendations.
- 4. <u>Description of Duties</u>: The Task Force shall advise the Secretary of the Army on plans and projects to reduce siltation of the Missouri River in the State of North Dakota and to meet the objectives of the Pick-Sloan Program.
- 5. <u>Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports</u>: The Task Force shall report to the Secretary of the Army and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- 6. <u>Support</u>: The Department of Defense (DoD), through the Secretary of the Army, the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), and the Corps of Engineers, shall provide support as deemed necessary for the performance of the Task Force's functions and shall ensure compliance with the requirements the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. section 552b).

- 7. <u>Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years</u>: The estimated operating costs, including travel and contract support, for this Task Force are \$250,000. The estimated personnel costs to DoD are 1.0 full-time equivalent.
- 8. <u>Designated Federal Officer</u>: The Designated Federal Officer shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures. The Designated Federal Officer or Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend all Task Force and subcommittee meetings.
- 9. <u>Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings</u>: The Task Force shall meet at the call of the Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Chairperson. The estimated number of Task Force meetings is two a year.
- 10. <u>Duration</u>: The need for this advisory function is on a continuing basis; however, it is subject to renewal every two years.
- 11. <u>Termination</u>: The Task Force shall terminate upon rescission of Public Law 106-541, Title VII, section 705(a).
- 12. <u>Membership and Designation</u>: As directed by Public Law 106-541, the Task Force shall be composed of not more than 20 members. Specifically, the Task Force membership shall be composed of:
 - Secretary of the Army or designee, who shall serve as the Chairperson;
 - Secretary of Agriculture or designee;
 - · Secretary of Energy or designee;
 - · Secretary of the Interior or designee; and
 - The Trust. The Trust is composed of 16 members to be appointed by the Secretary
 of the Army, including 12 members recommended by the Governor of North Dakota
 and 1 member recommended by each of the 4 Indian Tribes in the State of North
 Dakota.
- a. Task Force members recommended by the Governor of North Dakota shall include representatives of the North Dakota Department of Health, the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department, the North Dakota Department of Game and Fish, the North Dakota State Water Commission, the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission, agricultural groups, environmental or conservations groups, the hydroelectric power industry, recreation user groups, local governments, and other appropriate interests. These individuals shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Army or designee as representative members to the Task Force.
- b. All Task Force members shall be appointed for two-year terms and generally will serve no more than four years total on the Task Force, or as determined by the

Secretary of the Army or designee. In addition, all Task Force members shall, with the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, serve without compensation.

- 13. <u>Subcommittees</u>: The Task Force shall be authorized to establish subcommittees, as necessary, to fulfill its mission, and these subcommittees shall operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended.
- 14. Recordkeeping: The records of the Task Force and its subcommittees shall be handled according to section 2, General Records Schedule 26 (Temporary Commissions, Boards, Councils and Committees) and appropriate DoD policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended).
- 15. Filing Date: